

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A communication system for use with a vehicle, the communication system comprising:

a first communication unit, located within a vehicle, the first communication unit interfacing with a vehicle computer such that bi-directional communication is enabled between the first communication unit and the vehicle computer; and

a portable second communication unit~~[[,]]~~;

said first communication unit comprising a first memory circuit being configured to receive and store information from at least one of the vehicle computer and the second communication unit and connected with a first transceiver, and

said second communication unit comprising a second memory circuit, configured to store information from at least one of the first communication unit and an external information source and connected with a second transceiver,

said transceivers being arranged to establish a short-distance wireless communication link between said first and second communication units when the communication units are within a communication range from each other, thereby enabling two-way communication between said communication units, whereby an information item, stored in any one of said memory circuits is transmittable to the other one of said memory circuits, over said wireless communication link when the communication units are within said communication range from each other.

2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~★~~ The communication system in accordance with claim 1, wherein said second communication unit is a portable fob.

3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~★~~ The communication system in accordance with claim 1, wherein said second communication unit is connectable to ~~an~~ said external

information source, such as a personal computer, in order to establish an information transmission link between said external information source and said second communication unit.

4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ★ The communication system in accordance with claim 1, wherein said second communication unit is connectable with a terminal unit for long-distance wireless communication and said first communication unit is connectable with [[a]] the long-distance wireless communication network whereby a two-way connection between the first and second communication units is established by connecting said terminal with said first communication unit over said network.

5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ★ The communication system in accordance with claim 1, wherein said first and second communication unit each comprises an identification item, whereby a request for connection from any communication unit is tested to be qualified before enabling a connection between said communication units.

6. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ★ The communication system in accordance with claim 1, wherein said second communication unit is integrated in a cellular terminal.

7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ★ The communication system in accordance with claim 1, wherein said interface between said first communication unit ~~is connected with at least one~~ and said vehicle ~~data network~~ computer comprises a vehicle data network within said vehicle.

8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ★ The communication system in accordance with claim 1, wherein ~~said first communication unit is connected with a~~ said vehicle computer ~~within said vehicle~~ is a travel computer.

9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ★ The communication system in accordance with claim 1, wherein said second communication unit further comprises a clock device.

10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ★ The communication system in accordance with claim 1, wherein said second communication unit further comprises a biometric sensor, for identifying a user.

11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ★ The communication system in accordance with claim 10, wherein the output of said biometric sensor is used to classify users in order to give different users different access to the vehicle.

12. (NEW) A communication system for use with a vehicle, the communication system comprising:

a first communication unit comprising a first transceiver and a first read/write memory unit, wherein the first communication unit interfaces with a vehicle computer such that the first communication unit performs at least one of a read and a write operation on data stored in the vehicle computer; and

a portable second communication unit comprising a second transceiver and a second read/write memory unit, wherein the second communication unit communicates bi-directionally with the first communication unit over a wireless communication link between the first transceiver and the second transceiver such that the second communication unit performs at least one of a read and a write operation on data stored in the first memory unit and data read by the second communication unit is stored in the second memory unit.

13. (NEW) The communication system of claim 12, wherein the second communication unit further comprises an interface for coupling the second communication unit to a user computing device such that the computing device performs at least one of an operator initiated read and an operator initiated write operation on the data stored in the second memory unit.

14 (NEW) The communication system of claim 12, wherein the second communication unit further comprises an interface for coupling the second communication unit to a long-distance wireless communication unit, such that an operational range of the bi-

directional wireless communication link is extended beyond an operating range of the first and second transceivers.

15. (NEW) The communication system of claim 12, wherein the second communication unit is integrated in a cellular terminal.

16. (NEW) The communication system of claim 12, wherein the interface between the first communication unit and the vehicle computer comprises a vehicle data network.

17. (NEW) The communication system of claim 12, wherein the vehicle computer is a travel computer.

18. (NEW) The communication system of claim 12, wherein the second communication unit further comprises a clock device.

19. (NEW) The communication system of claim 12, wherein the second communication unit further comprises a biometric sensor, and assigns a vehicle access level to a user based at least in part upon an output of the biometric sensor.

20. (NEW) The communication system of claim 12, wherein the first communication unit and the second communication further comprise an identification code such that a communication unit transmission may be selectively routed a desired destination communication unit.